Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* Yes. We collect 8 annas. Government thereby lose 4 annas, as the cost of medicine has increased. I am seriously thinking of increasing the rate.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Has cynogassing been resorted to elsewhere ?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* Yes.

Demand put and carried

11. Rs. 11,500 under "26-purchase of Stationery articles"

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government):* I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 11,500 under 26 purchase of stationery articles. It is to stock paper for one year in advance. There is the difficulty of getting paper in view of the war. We are trying to stock paper for one year and for this the amount is required.

Demand put and carried

12. Rs. 2,575 under "28-A-Civil Engineering. B.O."

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 2,575 under 28-A Civil Engineering. This represents the amount which had to be spent for certain repairs which were executed in the building which the Minister now occupies. The building was occupied by the Southern Division Assistant Engineer's Office and it had to be repaired to suit the Minister's convenience. I request that the House may be pleased to grant this amount.

Demand put and carried

13. Rs. 700 from "33-Rural Development Establishment to 4 Co-operative Societies Establishment, and Rs. 300 from 33-Rural Development fixed T. A. to 4 Co-operative Societies fixed T. A."

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* I rise to move for a transfer of Rs. 700 from 33 Rural Development Establishment to IV Co-operative Societies Establishment and of Rs. 300 from 33 Rural Development fixed T.A. to IV Co-operative Societies Fixed T.A. One of the officers of the Rural Development Department was transferred. His allowances and T.A. have to be paid. There

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